

REMARKS

I. Summary of the Office Action

Claims 151-154, 156-159, 161-164 and 202-205 were pending in this application. Claims 151-154, 156-159, 161-164 and 202-205 were finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ellis et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,986,650 (hereinafter "Ellis") in view of Bedard U.S. Patent No. 5,801,747 (hereinafter "Bedard").

II. Summary of Applicants' Reply

Claims 151, 152, 156, 161, and 202 have been amended to more particularly define the invention.

Applicants are herewith submitting a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Accordingly, the finality of the rejections should be withdrawn and this amendment should be entered.

The Examiner's claim rejections are respectfully traversed.

III. Summary of Telephonic Interviews

January 6, 2005 Interview

The Examiner and Alexander Shvarts held a telephonic interview on January 6, 2005. Applicants and applicants' representatives wish to thank the Examiner

for the courtesies extended during the interview. No agreement was reached as a result of the interview.

June 22, 2005 Interview

The Examiner and the undersigned held a telephonic interview on June 22, 2005. The undersigned again wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during this interview. Details of the June 22, 2005 will appear in the discussion below where appropriate.

Proposed Claim Amendments

An agreement was reached that applicants would prepare amendments, such as the amendments provided in this paper, to overcome the prior art of record. The undersigned and the Examiner discussed amendments similar to those shown in this paper and the Examiner indicated that such amendments are patentable over the prior art of record, pending a subsequent prior art search.

IV. Amendment to the Claims

Amended independent claims 151, 156, 161, and 202 refer to a method, systems, and machine-readable media for displaying video associated with programs and program listings. A user may sequentially browse program listings by selecting each program listing separately in an overlay display that is displayed while a current program is displayed on a first channel. The display of

the program listings are limited based on attributes of programs that have been viewed by the user. The user may adjust the relative importance of the program attributes that are used to limit the display of the program listings, wherein the adjustment of the relative importance is performed by adjusting a weight factor for each program attribute.

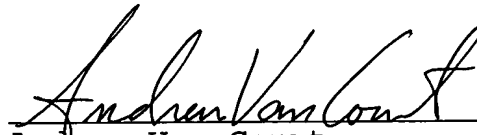
Applicants submit that the amendments are supported by the specification and that no new matter is added.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider amended independent claims 151, 156, 161 and 202.

V. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Andrew Van Court", is written over a horizontal line.

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